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**To:** Local Plan  
**Subject:** Objection to WBC Proposed Submission Version Local Plan

I object to Warrington Borough Council's updated proposed submission version local plan.

I do not understand why Thelwall Heys has now been added to the plan. It was not considered suitable 3 years ago in the PDO, what's changed?

Thelwall Heys is top quality agricultural land, contains a grade 2 listed building, a listed bridge and other heritage buildings. It also provides countryside rural walks on the outskirts of Thelwall in the form of the Transpennine trail and Bridgewater canal. If this development was to proceed, it would fundamentally change the area and I do not think the plan has justified the use of this area for housing. If the proposed plan went ahead, the impact and destruction of greenbelt in Thelwall Heys and South Warrington would be huge. The plan would vastly alter the distinct character of our local landscape and villages for the worse and the area would instead become one big urban development.

There is no commitment to focus on regeneration of brownfield sites first. The plan should be focussing on improving the town centre and providing more housing around this area so that the town centre provides a safe and welcoming place for youngsters to buy their first home.

Finally, I do not feel the council have adequately promoted this consultation. This consultation has occurred during a pandemic and little has been done to advertise it. Given the vast change the plan would have on the landscape and villages of South Warrington, surely a letter should have been posted to residents or at the very least put some posters up in neighbourhoods advising them of the plan and giving them the opportunity to respond. This would atleast mean that residents who do not use social media (me being one of them) would be aware of the consultation.

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